



## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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ESAU DOZIER,

Petitioner,
v.

STATE OF NEVADA, et al.,

Respondents.

This counseled § 2254 habeas petition is before the court on Esau Dozier's counseled motion to stay the petition (ECF No. 33). Dozier points out that he has filed a FRCP 60(b)(6) motion for relief from judgment in his earlier-filed petition in case no. 2:08-cv-00489-KJD-GWF. In that case, Dozier is arguing that respondents, whether inadvertently or not, misled the court, which resulted in the improper dismissal of that petition as time-barred. Here, Dozier seeks a stay of these proceedings pending the resolution of the proceedings in the first-filed petition. Good cause appearing, Dozier's motion shall be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that petitioner's motion for stay and abeyance (ECF No. 33) is **GRANTED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this action is STAYED pending final resolution of petitioner's federal habeas petition in case no. 2:08-cv-000489-KJD-GWF.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondents' motion to dismiss (ECF No. 29) is DISMISSED without prejudice.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondents' motion for extension of time to respond to the motion to stay (ECF No. 37) is GRANTED nunc pro tunc.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk SHALL ADMINISTRATIVELY **CLOSE** this action, until such time as the court grants a motion to reopen the matter.

DATED: 44 August 2017.

ROBERT C. JONES UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE